HIS OWN SUICIDE.

Possible Reference in It to the Townsend Murder-Said to Have Told Mother He Was Going to Do Up Doctor-"Well. I Fooled You: I've Done It Anyway."

It was the opinion of the police and the Staten Island authorities last night that they had succeeded in making much stronger their case against John Bell, the trolley car conductor, whom they have under arrest for the murder of Dr. Charles Wilmot Townsend on Saturday morning. Bell, who is locked up in the West Brighton police station, stoutly asserts his innocence, though he admits knowing Dr. Townsend and admits that he had held him somewhat in fault for the death of his young wife, with whom he eloped two years ago.

Several things yesterday tended, from the police viewpoint, to strengthen their circumstantial case against the prisoner In the first place a letter was found that Bell had written to his brother, Howard Bell, in Brooklyn, on Saturday evening. In this letter he spoke of killing himself

and gave directions regarding his burial. Fvidently he had meant to kill himself on Saturday before the letter could reach his brother. The police heard yesterday that he had made a trip to Cypress Hills Cemetery, where his wife was buried, Saturday afternoon. Possibly he meant to do it then, but if he did he weakened, for he went home and was arrested at the house of his father, at 648 Hart street, Williamsburg, Sunday afternoon. Saturday was the anniversary of the death of his wife, who had been attended once by Dr. Townsend.

In addition to this letter the police also discovered a storekeeper named Moore at New Brighton who identified Bell's picture as that of a man who had come into his store Friday evening and bought a handkerchief Moore has not seen Bell yet, but the police Moore has not seen Beil yet, but the police believe that he will identify him beyond a doubt, in which event they will have succeeded in placing Bell on the island on the night of the murder. Bell has denied that he has been on Staten Island for months. Another person found by the police was John Lee, a trolley motorman, who says he saw a slightly built man walking toward the ferry about 3:45 Saturday morning.

he saw a singlify built man waiking toward the ferry about 3:45 Saturday morning. He is to try to identify Bell as this man. Should both of these witnesses identify Bell there would seem to be a strong prob-ability against him. Bell still insists that he went to the Thalia Theatre on Friday

he went to the Thalia Theatre on Friday night and spent the rest of the night on the Bowery. His family are apparently standing by him, though his father and other members questioned yesterday could do little toward strengthening his alibi, which so far is weak in details.

Policeman Kraus at the time he heard of Bell in connection with the Townsend case also heard about certain letters. He was responsible for the police getting hold of the letter in which Bell hinted at suicide. Kraus, whose post is in the neighborhood of Bell's home, knows a relative of the family and through him learned that Bell on Saturday wrote six or seven letters addressed to different members of the family. The police afterward questioned addressed to different members of the family. The police afterward questioned most of the members of the family, but the only one who would admit getting a letter was Howard Bell, one of the brothers. He produced his letter, which he said he had received Monday morning. This letter was mailed at Station S in Williamsburg at 10:30 Saturday night. A peculiar feature is that although Howard lives at 40 Central avenue the letter was addressed to him at the Hart street house, where Bell, the prisoner, lives with his parents. It read as follows:

DEAR HOWIE: I take pleasure in writing to you these last few lines to let you know that this is up to me, and after eating a strawberry at this time of year I had ought to be successful. Howard, ask Grace at the proper time if she will have the inscription put on the headstone before burial and also see that the ring is on my finger and slippers on my feet and a picture on my breast, sure.

You can say this without any hard feelings

and if you never said a prayer say it now for me and Sis. Pray that I am justified in my act and that I may meet her (Sis) in Heaven and God will be merciful to me JOHN BELL. God bless you. Yours, Sis was Bell's name for his wife. It was e: plained yesterday that the man was wrapped up in the young woman. Folks at out the neighborhood say that because of his size she was about the only girl he had ever met who did not make fun of him. The words "Pray that I may be justified in the part of the property o my act," the police think, might refer to the murder on the theory that in Bell they have the murderer of the doctor, though they might also refer to his contemplated

hraus, the policeman, has given the authorities on Staten Island the name of the relative who informed him of these letters and also of Bell's alleged threat. Kraus was questioned yesterday by Inspector to the state of the sta and on Saturday, after his return, according to the policeman's story of what the relatives told him, he remarked:
"Well, I fooled you. I've done it, any-

In an effort to clear up these matters and to see if they could support Bell's alibi, Samuel Bell, the father, and William Coar, a brother-in-law, were examined yester-day afternoon by the Coroner, District Attorney Kenny and Inspector Schmitt-berger. Bell, the father, denied that his son had made any threats against the doc-

son had made any threats against the doctor or mentioned him at all at home.

"My boy wouldn't harm a cat. Why, he was even afraid of a firecracker," said the elder Bell, a very respectable looking elderly man. He said that his son had gone out Friday afternoon and had returned home about 8 o'clock Saturday morning, just as he was getting up. He said that he had been drinking and had said that he had been at a theatre party. He also said that John had stopped in at his brother-in-law's place before coming home.

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Coar, the brother-in-law, keeps a saloon in R dney s reet. He said that Bell had come into his place about 6 o'cl ck Sa urday morning and had a drink. Bell had not been drinking enough to be noticeable, he said. Bell told him, according to Coar, that he had been at a theatre party and had been out all night, but that was all.

Coar was the only person who supported Bell's alibi. It would be quite possible, however, for a man to get from the Townsend house to the salcon by 6 o'clock if he made good connections. Coar was quite positive that Bell had on a black derby hat, though he couldn't remember whether he had wern an overcoat or not. The man who committed the murder wore a soft peak

had wern an overcoat or not. The man who committed the murder wore a soft peak cap, such a hat as was found in the pocket of Bell's overcoat after his arrest.

Both Goar and the father said that Bell had not gone into any details of his wanderings during the night. The father insisted up and down, however, that he hadn't had any statements whatsever to any made any statements whatsoever to any one in the house about the Townsend case and had not talked at all of suicide.

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Late last night the detectives took over to Staten Island the mother, Mrs. Alice Bell, Howard Bell, her son, and some other members of the Minily. They were questioned by all hands at the Borough Hall, but District Attorney Kenney declined to give out just what had developed from them.

"The case is growing stronger," said the District Attorney. "I believe that we have enough evidence already to secure an indictment against Bell, though, of course, it is still a long way to conviction."

Against the partial support given to Bell's Algainst the partial support given to Bell's alibi by the police and the county authorities vesterday is put the story told by Morris Moore. He has a turnishing at the on the Shore road at New Brighton just around the corner from the doctor's house. He said that on Friday afternoon about a o'clock a little man came into his store,

CIRCUMSTANCES AGAINST BELL took a look in the showcases and walked out again. He returned at 6 o'clock. The storekeeper said he wore no collar and seemed to be nervous. He finally bought a white handkerchief. A photograph taken by the police of Bell was shown the store-keeper vesterday afternoon. He at once keeper yesterday afternoon. He at once said that it was the man whom he had

waited on.

John Lee, the trolley man, whom the police found yesterday, said that on Saturday morning early as he was running his car over the trolley trestle leading to the ferryhouse, he passed a little man walking rapidly over the bridge toward the ferryhouse. The car passed close to him, but he did not get a look at his face. The man, Lee says, wore a raincoat, with the

ing rapidly over the bridge toward the ferryhouse. The car passed close to him, but he did not get a look at his face. The man, Lee says, wore a raincoat, with the collar turned up.

People are forbidden to walk on this bridge and it was therefore an unusual sight for Lee. Lee is quite positive that this was at 3:45 A. M. He was running on schedule at the time and was due at that their was at 3:45 A. M. He was running on schedule at the time and was due at that hour at the ferryhouse. He thought that the man was about 5 feet 4 inches tall and was slender. Bell is 5 feet 2 inches tall.

The time that Lee says he met this man would seem to make it before the murder, but the nearest the murder has been fixed by any one is "about 4 o'clock." As a matter of fact no one in the Townsend house, according to the Coroner, noted the time, nor has it been fixed exactly. Coroner Cahill was called at 4:10, but the police had been notified some time before they got the Coroner and they were not called until neighbors had been called into the house. A man by running could get to the ferry from the doctor's house in ten minutes.

Coroner Cahill said that the motorman was much better able to fix the time than the people in the house and that the fact that he fixed the time when he saw this man on the bridge at 3:45 did not eliminate that man from the case by any means. He said that investigation might show that the murder had been committed nearer to 3:30 than to 4 o'clock.

Another point which makes the man seen by the trolley man interesting is the fact that when Bell's room was searched in Brooklyn the police found belonging to him a black raincoat.

Moore, the storekeeper, and Lee will both be present to-day at the District Attorney's office when Bell is to be arraigned before the Coroner. It is also expected o have Mrs. Townsend present. She has not seen Bell yet. The police say that she cannot make any positive identification because the murderer wore a muffler over the lower part of his face and had his cap pulled down lo Silverman, the hackman, who was released yesterday because the police had
eliminated him, Mrs. Townsend said that
he "looked like the man." Silverman and
Bell are about the same in stature. Mrs.
Townsend did say that the man was light
and from the glimpse she had of his face
she thought he might have been an Italian.
Bell has a peculiar face which might lead
one to mistake him for a foreigner.
Bell got a lawyer yesterday and showed
every indication of sticking to his first story
that he had nothing to do with the case and
of making the police work to destroy his
alibi. The lawyer hired for him by his
father, James E. Finnegan of Brooklyn,
had a talk with Belt in his cell at the station
house, but would not make any statement

had a talk with Bell in his cell at the station house, but would not make any statement for his client. When Bell was first arrested he told the District Attorney that he didn't want any lawyer and would light his own case, but his family got one for him.

In addition to the witnesses whose names they gave out yesterday some of the detectives said that they had other witnesses who would be on hand to-day.

One is said to be a man who thought that he saw Bell at the foot of the street leading to the doctor's house at 11:30 Friday night.

"Unless Bell can show us that he was at the theatre Friday night and more than that, can show us just where he was from that, can show us just where he was from that time until he got home at 8:30 Saturday morning, I think it looks pretty blue for him," said Inspector Schmittberger last

night.
District Attorney Kenney said yesterday that it was still unexplained how Beil, or whoever committed the murder, was able whoever committed the murder, was able to be a strange house, to make his way through a strange house, into the doctor's room, shoot him and make a clean getaway without being detected. But the house is one built on the usual plan with the best bedroom in the front of the house, and such a thing would not seem to be at all impossible.

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Such a thing, however, would hardly be done except by a person with a barrelful of nerve or else by the type of person commonly described as "a bug." A man nursing a fancied grievance such as Reli seems to have had since his wife's death might come under the latter description.

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It came out yesterday that whoever the intruder was he made one mistake in his plan. That was in his manner of cutting plan. That was in his manner of cutting the telephone connection. Instead of de-stroying the connection the man cut the connecting wires between the base of the

stroying the connection the man cut the connecting wires between the base of the telephone instrument and the receiver. That of course put that telephone instrument out of business, but did not destroy the connection with the house over the other telephones. Had the man cut the wires at the base of the instrument all connection would have been destroyed.

The funeral of Dr. Townsend was held yesterday from his house on Westervelt avenue. It was at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Dr. Eccleston, rector emeritus of St. John's Church, officiated. Mrs. Townsend and all the members of the family, including Dr. Theodore I. Townsend of Dannemora, N. Y., a brother of the murdered man, remained upstairs. The coffin was in the office on the first floor. A great many of his patients attended the services and the house was surrounded by a crowd while they lasted. The interment was at the Moravian cemetery at New Dorp. Mrs. Townsend went to the grave with others of the family. of the family.
With the funeral over the District Attor-

ney and the Coroner hope to get a more definite lot of statements from members of the doctor's household as to just what or the doctor's household as to just what occurred, in order to fill out the story of the shooting. They do not think that anything will develop which will weaken the case they believe they have already made against Bell, though of course this is admitted to be all circumstantial. No other clues, however, are at present being worked, and the theory of an "inside job" is now held by only a few who seemed to base this view largely on the ground that base this view largely on the ground that for a man like Bell to do such a thing would

for a man like Bell to do such a thing would seem to be almost impossible.

Late last night Policeman Kraus produced a witness at the Borough Hall in the person of Thomas Weber of 122 Jefferson avenue. Brooklyn, who, he said, had told him that his wife, a relative of Bell's, had heard Bell say that Dr Townsend had caused his wife's death and that he wanted revenge on him. One of the women of Bell's family, examined last evening, Inspector Schmittberger said, would make an important witness in the case against the prisoner. He also intimated that there might be other arrests.

It was warmer all over the country yesterday except at a few widely scattered points. The greatest rises of temperature occurred between the Rocky Mountains and the Alleghany Mountains. It was still below zero, however, in western Michigan, northern Wisconsin, the Dakotas, Minne

sota and part of Montana.

Freezing weather extended only to northern orgia. In the northern Rocky Mountains the dvances in temperature were very rapid. high. There was a storm central over western Texas, moving northeastward and preceded by light snow as far as the lower Lake regions and there were scattered rainfalls in the extreme West

In the Middle and South Atlantic States the weather was generally fair.
in this city the day was partly cloudy and slighty warmer: wind light to fresh, west to southwest; average humidity, 85 per cent.; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30.50; 3 P. M.,

official thermometer is shown in the annexed table:

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAT AND TO-MORROY For eastern New York, snow to-day: probably winds, becoming variable.

For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, snow or rain in south portion to day; clearing and colder to morrow: light south winds, becoming variable. For New England, snow to-day and probably to morrow: colder to morrow; fresh southwest

winds becoming variable.
For western New York and western Pennayivania,
anow to-day and probably to-morrow; colder tomorrow; fresh west to northwest winds.

HARRIMAN GRIPS CALIFORNIA.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC AND SANTA FE DIVIDE THE SPOILS.

Hold Absolutely Rail Transportation of Pacific Coast South of Oregon-Con-New York Is to Be Put in Evidence.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29 .- Interstate Comto-day began an investigation of the relations of the Southern Pacific, Union Pacific and Santa Fé railroads and the results of these relations, with the view of determining in what particulars these roads have violated the Interstate Com-

merce law. It was developed early in the inquiry that the Southern and Union Pacific roads, which are now one, and the Santa Fé have entered into an alliance, and between them control the rail transportation of the Pacific coast south of Oregon. There was ample official confirmation of the long known fact that they have California bound hand

Attorney C. A. Severance appeared for the Government. The first witness, Capt. A. H. Payson, assistant to President E. P. Ripley of the Santa Fé, testified that the Southern Pacific and Santa Fé entered into a combine by which they sought to control and do now control the railroad traffic of the State coth north and south of San Francisco. They do not compete with one an-

other at any point. John D. Spreckels was then placed on the stand to show how Harriman purchased from him all the Spreckels coal lands, coal steamers and railroads in Coos Bay country, which enabled the Southern Pacific to shut out its only possible competitor in that section and saved the company the expense of building a railroad there.

Payson's testimony then showed how the Southern Pacific and Santa Fé, after realizing the uselessness of shutting each other out of the profitable freight and passenger traffic of the North entered into a contract for joint control. By this contract, which will be produced, the Southern Pacific line from this city to Willits, by way of Tiburan, will connect at Willits with the Santa Fé extension, so that the straightest and easiest route may be had from the North to San Francisco.

Payson testified that the Northwestern Pacific proposes to build lines to connect the California Northwestern, of the Southern Pacific, with the San Francisco and Northwestern, a name given to the lumber railroads of Santa Fé, in the North.

In other words, Capt. Payson is authority for the statement that the Santa Fé is to have a line from Willits to Eureka, so"that the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe jointly are to have a line from Eureka to San Francisco. A contract has been made between the two companies by which each is to have a majority in the board of directors each alternate year, thus dividing the control.
This contract will be produced as evidence;
it is now in New York.

This is the most important fact brought out at the examination this morning. It shows that the Santa Fe abandoned its intention of building a through line from this city to Eureka when it found that arrangements could be made with the Southern Pacific for the use of its road from Willits

Tiburon.

Payson said that the line from Bakersfield to Mojave, over Tchachapi, owned by the Southern Pacific, is used jointly by the Southern Pacific and the Santa Fé. The Santa Fé pays a rental and the costs of operation and mair tenance are divided between the two companies.

tween the two companies.
Questions from Lane then brought out
the fact that on the north and on the south the two big companies, the Southern Pacific and the Santa Fé, control jointly the best routes of entrance into California. The importance to interstate commerce of this fact is obvious. It gives the two companies joint control of traffic on the north, at the south and to this city, so that they can divide it between them and fix rates against which protests, would be full less that they can divide it between them and fix rates against which protests would be futile.

The cross-examination of Capt. Payson by Attorney Lovett for Harriman brought but the fact that the Santa Fé Railroad but the fact that the Santa re mailroad holdings on the north are wholly within California. This indicates the line of the railroads' defence. It is to be that the com-bination between the two big companies does not come under the regulations for in-terstate commerce. Mr. Severance pointed out that when they are connected with the transcontinental lines they will engage in In the afternoon R. P. Schwerin, vice-

president and general manager of the Pacific Mail, gave much testimony about that company and its purchase by Harriman. Finally it was disclosed that the Santa Fé and the Southern Pacific are dividing the business of the Pacific Mail. The hearing will continue to-morrow.

ORITUARY.

The Rev. Halsey H. Baker died at his home Fast Fifth street Plainfield, N. J., on Monday night, 94 years old. Death was caused a paralytic stroke. He helped to build the Deruyter Institute at Deruyter. N. Y., and a little later was licensed to preach by the Methodist Church. Afterward he lived at Alfred, N. V., where he became interested in the founding of Alfred University. About this time he identified himself with the Seventh Day Baptist denomination. He married Miss Cynthia Green in 1836. She was born at Berlin in 1817 and on August 22 last the couple Berlin in 1817 and on August 22 last the couple celebrated the seventieth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. Baker held pastorates at Waterford, Conn.; Westerly, R. I. and Plain-field. He wrote "The Pearl," a Scripture library of sixteen volumes. Last year he wrote "The Creation Described," illustrating the first week of time. He is survived by his wife and one daughter.

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Col. Johnson Van Dyke Middleton, U. S. A., retired, died at his residence in Washington on Tuesday. He was born in that city, entered the army as an Assistant Surgeon in 1861; was brevetted Captain and Major for faithful service in the civil war; reached the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel and Departmentary Surgeon-General in 1893 and was retired in 1898. In the Spanish war he was stationed at San Francisco and fitted out with medical supplies the expeditions to the Philippines. When the Custer massacre occurred Col. Middleton, then on duty at Fort Lincoln, was detailed to inform the widows of the officers who lost their lives in the valley of the Little Big Horn of their bereavement.

William P. Stymus, one of the founders

William P. Stymus, one of the founders of the firm of Pottier & Stymus, manufacturers of furniture at 375 Lexington avenue, died yesterday at his home in Port Chester. He was 77 years old and was born in New York. In 1853 he and August Pottier who were employes of the pioneer furniture manufacturing firm of Rochefort & Skarren, founded the present company and took over manufacturing firm of Rochefort & Skarren, founded the present company and took over the business of the old one. He leaves two sons, William P., Jr., president of the company, and Frank, also connected with it. One daughter, Mrs. W. H. Raynor also

capt. Samuel R. Hersey, a veteran of the civil war and for thirty years employed in the Pension Bureau at Washington, died at his home in that city Monday in his sixty-sixth year. He was born at Roxbury, Mass., served in the Forty-second Massachusetts Infantry, was captured and spent eighteen months in the Houston, Tex., Confederate prison, from which he eventually escaped. prison, from which he eventually escaped.

Charles S. Thurston, who had been connected with the Citizens' National Bank in New Yo k for forty years, died while sitting in a chair in his home on Grant avenue, Nutley, N. J., on Monday night. He and his wife were quietly observing the twenty-seventh anniversary of their wedding. He was 5 years old. He is survived by his wife and one son, Louis Thurston, residing in Mississippi.

Alonzo Somerville, 54 years old, died at son, Louis Thurston, residing in Mississippi.

Alonzo Somerville, 54 years old, died at his home, 24 Lombardy street, Newark, yesterday of paralysis. He was a retired business man. He was teller and cashier of the North Ward National Bank, Newark, from 1870 to 1879, when he resigned to engage in the wholesale grocery business in New York, A wife, two daughters and a son survive him.

him.

Mrs. J. M. Wright flied at her home in Hempstead, L. I., on Monday night, as a result of shock. She was 52 years old. She fell in the bathroom of her home and broke her hip several days ago. She was one of the heirs to the Gunning S. Bedford estate. By the terms of the will the fortune was to fall to a nephew's family should there be an heir. As there was no issue Mrs. Wright was next in line to the estate.



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GREEK SLAIN BY INVADERS.

They Fired a Volley of Shots at Him in His Factory.

One Greek was fatally shot and another was assaulted at an early hour yesterday morning in an attack which a party of eight or nine men made upon them in an embroidery factory at 516 Monastery street, West Hoboken. The murdered man was Joseph Koury, 23 years old, of 304 Hicks street, Brooklyn, who claimed the right of ion to the factory by virtue of the highest bid at a sale under foreclosure proceedings. His companion was Edward Ged, 17 years old, of 25 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn.

The attacking party fled in wild disorder after discharging a fusillade of shots, and two of them ran into the arms of police-men. The rest escaped and the police of New York, Brooklyn and West Hoboken were busy yesterday rounding them up. Four alleged members of the gang were arrested before sundown.

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The local police learned yesterday that the embroidery factory was formerly run by the Grand Manufacturing Company, composed of Solomon, Elias and David Orraye, brothers. The company gave a mortgage of \$3,844 to the firm of Dominick J. Faour, New York money lenders, and in December last the mortgage was fore-closed.

The property was sold by Constable John McGreevey of Hoboken, and Koury, the purchaser, took possession. A few days later Namer Riozk, a Greek grocer of Washington street, New York, appeared with a bill of sale of the factory from the Grand Manufacturing Company, and ordered Koury to evacuate. He refused to get out and a fight followed, which re-sulted in Riczk's arrest.

The police say that Koury subsequently told friends that Riczk had threatened to kill him and that he feared his life was in

Koury and the youth, Ged, slept in the factory. Shortly before 1 o'clock the door of the place was forced open and the sleepers of the place was forced open and the sleepers were awakened. They jumped out of bed and Ged was knocked down by a heavy blow on the head. There were a number of shots and one of the bullets struck Koury in the abdomen. The attacking party retreated and the wounded man staggered into the street after them. He stumbled along the sidewalk for a hundred feet and fell. Policemen ran up in time to catch two men Policemen ran up in time to catch two men who were trying to get away. They were John Matalas and John Castiania, both of 107 Washington street, New York city. They were taken to the police station with the dying man. Koury died a few minutes

The men who were rounded up in New York for complicity in the shooting were Solomon, Elias and David Orraye and Eriabe Riczk, a brother of Namer Riczk.

EFFECTS OF GAMBLING. It Brings Money to the Pawnbroker and Bad Debts to the Grocer.

At yesterday afternoon's session in Jersey City of the trial of Police Captain John F. Kelly of the First precinct for failing to suppress policy and handbook gambling a pawnbroker and a greer were called as witnesses for the defence to prove that no bets on the results of horseraces were made in Sullivan's saloon at 183 Pavonia avenue, as alleged by the prosecution.

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"I am sure there was no gambling there," said Pawnbroker Josephs with an emphatic shrug of his shoulders.

"How can you tell?" he was asked.

"I can tell by the falling off in my business," he replied. "When there is gambling on the horses in the neighborhood business is good. When there isn't any people don't pawn so many things and business is don't pawn so many things and busin

Grocer Goetzig said: "I am sure there was nothing at Sullivan's during the last year because I didn't have any bad debts

bling?" inquired a lawyer for the city.
"Why, I guess none of my customers
played the races, so they had money to
pay their bills," he answered.

DEATH VALLEY A WASTE OF SNOW Bilzzard Rages Over What Is Usually

Burning Plain of Sand. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29 .- The imagination picture of Death Valley is a level, sun blistered waste of heat quivering sand. with the sun reflecting from bleached bones

of horses and men dead of thirst. It has remained for this winter to change this scene and to disclose a blizzard swep

plain. W. H. Parker, just back from the gold country, says:
"There is ten inches of snow at the bottom
of Death Valley, a thing never before heard
of. I went down to Ely two weeks ago
and could not get out for five days, even
though I had my own team. The whole country was snowbound.

"A family of four started across Death Valley, were caught in the storm and have not been heard of."

PAIR WED 4 TIMES IN 3 YEARS. Now Wife Wants Fourth Divorce and Promises to Stay Single.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Jan. 29 .- For the fou, th time Mrs. Patrick Fagan has applied for a divorce from Pat Fagan, to whom she has been married four times in three years.

In each case the excuse for the divorce In each case the excuse for the divorce was cruelty on the part of the husband.

This time Mrs. Fagan says she will never again marry Pat it she gets a decree. After the first marriage they lived together three months. A vacation of three months ended in another wedding.

A year later a divorce was obtained by Mrs. Fagan, and a month after that she again succumbed to Fagan's ardent wooing. Another six months saw another divorce suit, and they lived apart for seven months before seeking a minister.

Non-Union Men on City Building?

A number of unions in the building trades complained yesterday that non-union men are employed at the new round quarters. It was decided to ask President Ahearn of the borough of Manhattan to get a which men discharged and union the non-union men discharged and union men employed in their places. This building has fared better than any of the other new city buildings in the matter of strikes. It had only one strike

THE STRAIN TELLS ON DRYDEN

NO MORE VOTING FOR SENATOR UNTIL NEXT TUESDAY.

His Forces Held Together Yesterday, as Did Those of the Opposition-A Suggestion That He Hold Mass Meetings to Show That the People Are With Him.

TRENTON, Jan. 29.-The Legislature cast three ballots for a United States Senator to-day, and there being no prospect of accomplishing an election postponed further voting until next Tuesday. The balloting developed no material change in the deadlock. The Dryden forces remained solidly for their candidate, and the eight Republicans who oppose him showed no disposition to recede from the stand they had taken. Before the Legislature convened there seemed to be a mutual understanding that no serious effort would be made to break the deadlock until Mr. Dryden had had the public hearing for which he has asked and which will take place in the Assembly chamber at 2 o'clock next Monday afternoon.

Mr. Dryden's friends were not quite satisfied with the press notices that have been published relative to the hearing and asked that it be made plain that it is not to partake of the nature of a mere caucus or conference between Mr. Dryden and the members of the Legislature, but will be a public affair open to any person wishing to attend. Mr. Dryden himself left the city soon after noon, not waiting even to near the result of the balloting. He seemed to be suffering from the severe strain of his campaign, having the appearance of a man both physically and mentally worn

The absence of Assemblyman Davidson of Monmouth, due to the death of his wife reduced Mr. Dryden's vote to-day to 35. The eight opposing Republicans cast six votes for ex-Gov. John W. Griggs and two for Justice Mahlon Pitney. The Democrats were as much divided as ever and on the first ballot cast 16 votes for Col. Edwin A. Stevens, 12 for President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton University and 9 for James E. Martine. On the second ballot Assemblyman Van Blarcom swung from Martine to Wilson and on the third he again changed, voting for Gottfried Krueger of Newark. Otherwise the succeeding ballots were the same as the first. When two ballots had been cast Senator

When two ballots had been cast Senator Hillery moved to adjourn and Senator Wakely opposed the motion, which was lost. Senator Lee of Atlantic created a scare in the ladies' gallery by moving that the doors of the chamber be kept locked and that the balloting be continued until midnight. the balloting be continued until midnight. There was a sudden rush from the galleries, which was useless, as the houses were then under call and no one was permitted to leave or enter the chamber except upon presentation of a signed card from the Speaker. The Lee resolution was not carried and a third ballot having demonstrated the apparent futility of further voting adjournment was taken by mutual voting adjournment was taken by mutual

The earlier adjournment was sought by the Dryden supporters who were unwilling to test statements of various members who attended the caucus that they would stand by Mr. Dryden for only a limited number of ballots.

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Ferdinand Roebling, a close personal and business friend of Mr. Dryden, was boomed as a possible dark horse candidate this afternoon. To-night Mr. Roebling made a statement saying that any announcement of his candidacy was entirely unwaranted. He added

"I have no taste for politics, and if I had I certainly would not be a candidate against Mr. Dryden, whom I think the Legislature should proceed to elect without further

delay."

The latest suggestion made by Mr. Dryden's friends to-day was that he hold a series of mass meetings with a view of demon-strating that popular sentiment is not against him. While the feasibility of such a campaign was quite generally discussed it is not regarded as probable that it will be

HERE'S A REAL BRIDAL COACH.

All Cupids and Hearts and Ready for Business in Pittston, Pa.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 28.-A bridal coach designed to boom matrimony in Pittston, Pa., and to do away with the custom of decorating the ordinary hacks with white ribbons for weddings has just been completed in this city. This novel equipage is in the shape of a huge heart and cost \$1,800.

It is maroon and black with gold trimmings. There are twenty hearts on the vehicle, including eight heart shaped windows, two large hearts joining to form the dashboard and two more cropping out of the rear springs. The lamps, which have electric lights inside, are each surmounted by a Cupid with his bow and arrow. The wood carving is especially beautiful.

The coach is upholstered in cream colored velours finished with old gold buttons

with two sets of watered silk curtains, and overhead is a cluster of calla lilies in the heart of which are concealed red, white and blue electric lights.

It will be shipped at once to a liveryman at Pittston. Pa., who will drive it with four cream colered horses attached.

SHOT A NEGRO DEAD.

Setting the Muzzle of a Pistol Close Against His Breast. Following an argument with Robert

Williams, the negro proprietor of a poolroom at 171 East Eighty-sixth street, over the price of a game of pool, Thomas Walsh. a white man, chased the negro up from the basement room into the street and there shot him doul. Walsh fired one and that went wide, and then getting hold of the negro deliberately set the revolver to his breast and killed him. Walsh, after an attempt to shoot Detective Sergennt McLaughin of the East Eighty-eighth street police station, which failed because a cartridge did not explode, was taken to the police station.

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RULING ON OIL TRUST PASSES Asked of Interstate Commission by Independent Oli Men.

Petticoats-Special,

CHICAGO, Jan. 29 .- The Interstate Commerce Commission will be asked to decide whether railroads can lawfully give passes to inspectors in the employ of the Galena Oil Company, a branch of the Standard cor-

poration With the exception of a few who have not received opinions from their legal departments all railroads terminating in Chicago have issued annual passes for 1907, so men employed by the Galena Oil Company may visit railroad roundhouses and machine shops to see that wasteful methods are not shops to see that wasteful methods are not used by engineers, firemen and machinists. In a special report just issued by the commission it is pointed out that the Galena company has a monopoly of the oil used for illuminating and lubricating by ruilroads. The Galena company signs a contract with each railroad, guaranteeing that the expense for oil shall not exceed a that the expense for oil shall not exceed a

that the expense for oil shall not exceed a certain sum per engine mile annually, provided its inspectors are provided with free transportation and have authority to insist on methods that shall be adopted by employees as to the use of the oil.

Railroad officials admit that the inspectors are salaried employees of the Galena Oil Company, but declare that if they did not give passes to them they would be obliged to pay other men and give them passes to do the work. Independent oil companies, who will present the subject to the Interstate Commerce Commission, say the principal work of inspectors of the Galena Oil Company is to see that no other Galena Oil Company is to see that no other company's oil is used.

BANKER SCHULTE A SUICIDE. President of the First National of Memphis Chokes Himself to Death.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 29.-Suffering from mental collapse just as family and friends believed him to be rapidly improving Charles W. Schulte, president of the First National Bank of Memphis, choked himself to death with a shawl strap to-day in a Battle Creek, Mich., sanitarium.

Mr. Schulte was a leader, financially and socially. He was born in Germany sixty-

two years ago. He joined the Union army as signal man at the age of 14 and served

SCARED BY EXPLOSIONS. Occupants of Five Tenement Houses Are

79c., \$I, \$I.39, \$1.69 to \$7.95

Routed Out at Midnight. Two explosions on the north side of East Twenty-fourth street, near First avenue; just before midnight last night routed out all the occupants of the five tenement houses between 337 and 345 East Twenty-fourth street, smashed all the windows of an unoccupied apartment on the ground floor of 343 and gave Capt. McDermott and the reserves of the Fast Twenty-second street police station a long hunt, which came to

e police learned that some one who The police learned that some one was boarded in the house had got a threatening letter. Wichael Gerlandi, who lived on the first floor rear, hustled his family into the street at the first sound of the explosion and couldn't be induced to go back for an



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